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The Counterinsurgency Training Center – Afghanistan (CTC-A) enhances coalition forces, Afghan National Security Forces and other GIRoA agencies' capabilities to reduce insurgent influence through the delivery of regionally focused, timely and relevant best practice counterinsurgency training and education that fosters greater unity of effort among all stakeholders in order to facilitate the development of a secure and stable Afghanistan.

Colonel Clark's prior assignments and deployments include, most recently, the Deputy Commander of the Combined Training Advisory Group – Police in Afghanistan. Prior to arriving in Afghanistan he was the Director of the Army Security Force Assistance Proponent Office at the Army Counterinsurgency Center, Ft Leavenworth, KS. He was a Theater Observer for Operation Enduring Freedom-Philippines where he also served as the Deputy Commander, J-3 and Chief of Staff. While again assigned at Ft Leavenworth, KS he was a Special Operations Force Advisor to the Combined Arms Center Commander, and Deputy Director of the Special Operations Force Cell. While assigned to Joint Special Operations Command he was the Chief of Plans at the Office of Military Support, the Operations Officer for JIATF-Afghanistan in Bagram, Chief of Plans for J-3 Advanced Force Operations, the Advanced Force Operations Plans Officer for Iraq, Afghanistan and Thailand. While serving at 1st SFOD-D, he was the commander of two assault troops, a reconnaissance troop, deputy commander for a sabre squadron, and unit operations officer where he had numerous worldwide deployments. While assigned to 1st BN, 1st Special Forces Group he served as the commander of an Operational Detachment Alpha and commander of the Regional Survey Team with operational deployments to the Korea, China, Mongolia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Cambodia, Thailand and Taiwan. Prior to these assignments he served in numerous assignments in the Light, Air-Assault, Airborne and Mechanized Infantry where he deployed as a platoon leader to Operation Just Cause, Panama '89.

Colonel Clark graduated from Wake Forest University with a Bachelor's Degree in Physics in '89. He attended Benedictine College where he received a Master's in Business and Accounting in '02. He attended the School for Advanced Military Studies where he received a Master's degree in Military Arts and Sciences in '03. He attended Kansas State University where he received a PhD for studying the creativity and cognitive development of adults in '08. He graduated with honors and was inducted into Phi Kappa Phi honor society for outstanding academic achievement and noteworthy contribution to the field of education.

Colonel Clark is originally from Keene, NH, is married, and has three children.